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Title: NEW SEQUENCES OF HEPATITIS C VIRUS GENOTYPES AND THEIR USE AS  
THERAPEUTIC AND DIAGNOSTIC AGENTSAssistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT**

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

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				\$ 378.00

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August 15, 2000

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Preliminarily amend the above-identified application as follows.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Amend the claims as follows.

Claim 6, line 1, change "any of claims 1 to 5" to --Claim 1--.

Claim 7, line 1, change "any of claims 1 to 5" to --Claim 1--.

Claim 8, line 1, change "any of claims 1 to 7" to --Claim 1--,

lines 3 and 4, change "any of claims 1 to 5" to --Claim 1--;

lines 7 and 8, delete "of the primers according to claim 6 or any other"; and

lines 12 and 13, delete "according to claim 7, with" and insert --,--.

Claim 9, line 3, change "any of claims 1 to 5" to --Claim 1--.

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